

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS  
CENTRAL DIVISION**

**JOSEPH D. SANDERS  
#252872**

**PLAINTIFF**

**VS.**

**4:20-CV-00348-BRW**

**HALE**

**DEFENDANT**

**ORDER**

Joseph D. Sanders (“Plaintiff), in custody in the Pulaski County Detention Center, filed this case *pro se*<sup>1</sup> under 42 U.S.C. § 1983<sup>2</sup>. Because Plaintiff provided the documentation required by 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a), his request to proceed *in forma pauperis*<sup>3</sup> was granted.

On May 14, 2020, I advised Plaintiff that I need further information to properly screen his claims.<sup>4</sup> For example, Plaintiff is in jail awaiting trial, but he did not explain the charges pending against him or whether his claims in this case are related to those charges.<sup>5</sup> I also

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<sup>1</sup> Plaintiff was notified of his responsibility to comply with the Local Rules of the Court, including Rule 5.5(c)(2):

It is the duty of any party not represented by counsel to promptly notify the Clerk and the other parties to the proceedings of any change in his or her address, to monitor the progress of the case, and to prosecute or defend the action diligently. A party appearing for himself/herself shall sign his/her pleadings and state his/her address, zip code, and telephone number. If any communication from the Court to a pro se plaintiff is not responded to within thirty (30) days, the case may be dismissed without prejudice. Any party proceeding pro se shall be expected to be familiar with and follow the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

Doc. No. 2.

<sup>2</sup> Doc. No. 1.

<sup>3</sup> Doc. No. 3.

<sup>4</sup> Doc. No. 4.

<sup>5</sup> *Id.*

pointed out that Plaintiff had not signed his Complaint.<sup>6</sup> I gave Plaintiff the chance to submit an Amended Complaint within thirty (30) days of the date of my Order, or by June 15, 2020.<sup>7</sup> I warned Plaintiff that if he decides not to submit an Amended Complaint within thirty (30) days, I will dismiss his claims without prejudice.<sup>8</sup> Plaintiff has not submitted an Amended Complaint or otherwise responded to my May 14, 2020 Order. Accordingly, his claims will be dismissed without prejudice.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. Plaintiff's claims are DISMISSED without prejudice
2. Plaintiff's Complaint (Doc. No. 1) is DISMISSED without prejudice..

Dated this 22nd day of June, 2020.

Billy Roy Wilson  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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<sup>6</sup> *Id.*

<sup>7</sup> *Id.*

<sup>8</sup> *Id.* (citing 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2); Loc. R. 5.5(c)(2)).